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EXAMINING GROUP 1634

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Arcot

Serial No. 09/931,449

Filed: August 16, 2001

For: MICROSPHERE BASED
OLIGONUCLEOTIDE LIGATION
ASSAYS, KITS, AND METHODS OF
USE, INCLUDING HIGH-
THROUGHPUT GENOTYPING

Group Art Unit: 1634
Examiner: Frank Wei Min Lu

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 30, 2004 to further highlight reasons why the application is in condition for allowance. Applicant submits the present paper complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.